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Junior doctors demand salary for COVID work

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (RKB&DM)- Junior Residents, who are pressed into service for 24x7 COVID care in Hospitals including emergencies at the behest of the Government, are not getting their salaries and incentives despite putting in long hours of service under risky conditions.

This morning, Resident doctors attached to Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) held a protest in front of the Institute to remind the Government and the authorities of what they say are shortcomings in the Medical Education Department and how they are victimised for no fault of theirs.

The doctors claimed that the Government is using their services for COVID-related work due to which there have been no proper clinical academic activities in their courses and they are still being charged fees in lakhs.

Junior doctors, holding placards, staged a protest in front of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) in city this morning.

Moreover, the salaries and allowances have not been paid, they said citing step-motherly treatment.

Holding placards like 'COVID warriors to beggars' and 'We are here to serve, not suffer', they accused the MMC&RI of non-payment of salaries and COVID incentive. These Resident doctors are serving at various COVID Hospitals as part of compulsory rural service. Today's protest was led by the Resident Doctors Association of MMC&RI. There are 126 MBBS graduates, who graduated from various Institutes across Karnataka in 2021 and were posted to MMC&RI vide a Government notification under Compulsory Rural Service Act in June this year. But they have been denied salary and COVID allowance since then.

(See DOCTORS on page 6)

Weight training for Howdah elephant begins

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (MTY&KS)- Abhimanyu, who has been given the responsibility of carrying the Golden Howdah (Ambari) on *Jumboo Savari* day for the second time, began his weight training by carrying 300-kg sand bags this noon inside the Mysore Palace premises.

Before the commencement of weight training, puja was performed at Kodi Someshwara Temple in Palace premises to Abhimanyu, Kumki elephants Chaitra and Kaveri, *Gaadhi Namdha* (a cushion-bed-like material) and the cradle in the auspicious *Abhijin Lagna* at 12.15 pm and the *Gaadhi Namdha* was fastened on the back of Abhimanyu with a leather strip and ropes and then a cradle-like structure was tied on top of it.

The rituals began with *Padapuja* by sprinkling of 'Arishina-Kumkuma' at the feet of the elephants and were fed with 'Pancha Phala' (five fruits).

Later, sand bags weighing 300-kg were placed inside the cradle and Abhimanyu, followed by other elephants — Chaitra, Kaveri, Ashwathama, Dhananjaya, Vikrama, Lakshmi and Gopalaswamy — were taken in a procession as part of the drill.

The Dasara elephants were led to the North Gate of the Palace, Bhuvaneshwari Temple, Jayamarthanda Gate and back to Kodi Someshwara Temple covering a distance of about one kilometre. Today's training was supervised by Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (APCCF) Jagath Ram, Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) T. Heeralal, DCF Dr. Karikalan, Veterinarian Dr. Ramesh and elephant caretakers Rangaraju and Akram.

(See HOWDAH on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 20th September 2021

Healthy Week for MCC

UGD workers from Sept. 26

Mysuru, Sept.20- As part of Healthy Week initiative scheduled from Sept. 26 to 30, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has organised a host of programmes for the Under Ground Drainage (UGD) Department employees.

A marathon, pranayama workshop, health camp, first-aid training and integration with health schemes will be part of the initiative.

While the marathon will start from Kote Anjaneyaswamy temple in front of Mysore Palace at 6.30 am on Sept. 26, the pranayama workshop will be held at Chamundi Vihar Indoor Stadium between 6.30 am and 10 am on Sept. 28.

A health camp will be held at Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) premises in Yadavagiri between 9 am and 3 pm on Sept. 29 while first-aid training will be held at Town Hall premises between 4 pm and 7 pm on Sept. 30.

The Healthy Week will conclude with a programme on integration with health schemes at the Town Hall between 4 pm and 7 pm on Sept.30.

It may be mentioned here that Mysuru city was among the 242 cities across the country that had taken up Safai Mitra Suraksha Challenge last year to prevent hazardous cleaning of sewers and septic tanks.

For more details, call Mob: 74068-85654 or 87488-03431, according to a press release.

Dasara illumination

Inviting industries to sponsor

Mysuru, Sept. 20- It has been decided to illuminate main thoroughfares of city and important circles during Dasara-2021 with sponsorships from industries.

Industries interested in sponsoring may contact N.R. Mohalla Division Executive Engineer on Mob: 94489-94740 or V.V. Mohalla Division on Mob: 94495-98644, according to a press release from the Superintending Engineer (Works & Maintenance Circle).

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Until just over a week ago, the 34-member strong Supreme Court of India had just one woman among its judges. Now it has four, with the new appointments of Hima Kohli, B.V. Nagarathna and Bela M. Trivedi, who joined Indira Banerjee, who was sworn-in in 2018. Justice Nagarathna is scheduled to become India's first woman CJI in 2027, but she will retire barely a month later upon reaching the stipulated age.

The need for greater gender and other forms of parity in the legal arena isn't about optical representation (which it can sometimes be in other fields, including entertainment) but about how this can positively impact the application and the development of the law itself. The glaringly obvious human rights travesty of marital rape remaining legal in India is just one that if corrected will bring countless people succour or freedom. One would imagine that a Supreme Court with more women in it might bring in the necessary change.

— Sharanya Manivannan in The New Indian Express

NEWS SPARKLERS

Rarest flower grows only in two locations

England: "Middlemist's Red," also known as the spring rose, is widely regarded as the world's rarest flower, as just two of these precious plants exist, one in New Zealand and another in the UK.

Named after John Middlemist, who collected it in China in 1804, the Middlemist's Red camelia was always a rare flower that could only be found in the stately English homes of well-off families who could afford to buy them. Middlemist himself donated his specimen to Kew Gardens, but it somehow vanished, along with the others throughout London and the whole of the UK, with the exception of one place. By 1823, the Chiswick House & Gardens, a stately home in England, became the only place in the UK where a Middlemist's Red could be admired.

One specimen found its way to New Zealand and survived there for nearly two centuries. The New Zealand specimen can be found at Treaty House in Waitangi, where it was reportedly planted in 1833.

Couple banned from naming baby 'Vladimir Putin'

Laholm: Swedish tax agency, Skatteverket, rejected a young couple's request to name their son as Vladimir Putin, the name of the famous Russian president.

Public radio broadcaster SR recently reported the case of a couple based in Laholm, Sweden, who were banned from naming their newborn son after Russia's President. Skatteverket didn't explain exactly why they rejected the naming request, but according to Swedish law, names should not be offensive or risk causing problems for the bearer, nor are first names that clearly resemble surnames allowed. It wasn't immediately clear what category "Vladimir Putin' fell into, but the couple was forced to go for something less controversial.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Does the anaesthesiologist stay with me the whole time I'm unconscious?

Yes. Your anaesthesiologist directs the anaesthesia team of anaesthesiology residents and nurses. A member of the anaesthesia team will stay by your side to monitor your vital signs and breathing throughout the operation. This also ensures you're consistently receiving the right dose of anaesthesia. The anaesthesiologist will frequently check on you during your care even in the recovery room.

By Dr. Balasubramanyam P K - Consultant – Anaesthesiology

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Kickboxing Championship-2021

Sarada Vilas student bags Gold Medal at Nationals

Medal winner Yashwanth Gowda seen with Dr. M. Devika, Principal, Sarada Vilas College and G. Shivakumar, Physical Education Director.

Mysuru, Sept. 20- H.S. Yashwanth Gowda, a student of Sarada Vilas College, Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, has bagged Gold Medal in the Creative Form (Senior Category) event of WAKO Indian National Senior and Masters Kickboxing Championship-2021 held at Sports Complex in Dayanad Bandodkar Krida Sankool, Peddem, Mapusa, Goa, from Aug. 26 to 28. He also got selected for 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, to be held at Bangkok - Chonburi-2021 from Mar. 10 to 20, 2022.

Trained by Chamarajanagar Kickboxing Association, Yashwanth was recently felicitated by the College Management and the Principal with a cash prize for his excellent performance.

REALLY...?

- ***In 1887, a recipe for American Toast appeared in the White House Cookbook. It called for soaking and cooking bread in the same manner as French toast.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

ANSWERS ON MY HAND...

Since the Coronavirus outbreak, my 47-year-old son has been washing his hands religiously. In fact, he said, "I've been washing my hands so much, I found the answers to an old eighth-grade math quiz." —Susan Freeman

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.70
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.03
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.07
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.41

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	SEPTEMBER 18	SEPTEMBER 19
Day's Positive Cases	74	69
Total Positive Cases	1,77,223	1,77,292
Day's Discharges	68	76
Total Discharges	1,74,279	1,74,355
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,377	2,377
Total Active Cases	567	560

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

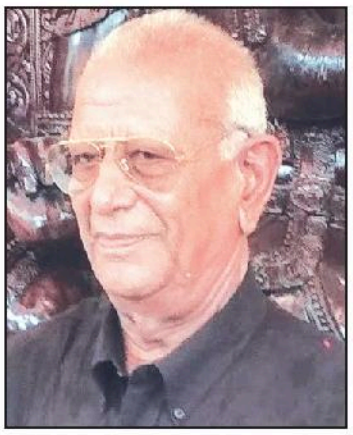
Curator C.D. Krishnegowda's bonding with Zoo animals

Sir,

With the demise of C.D. Krishnegowda, erstwhile Curator of Mysore Zoo, the city, in particular, the Zoo has lost a great animal-lover. He had developed a great bonding with all the animals of the Mysore Zoo and most of the animals were a great friend of him.

He used to visit all the animals on his rounds in the morning before going to his office and while returning back, see the animals off.

I too had developed little official connection with him in setting up a Nandini Milk booth inside the Zoo premises. While I was the Marketing In-Charge at Mysore Dairy, I had been to his Chamber to get the parlour lease renewed, and I was surprised and taken aback to see a tiger sitting in front of him on a stool.



C.D. Krishnegowda

Krishnegowda smiled and said that it will not do any harm and asked me to go inside. Such was the bonding he had with the animals in Mysore Zoo.

After change of his post of Curator as Executive Director, he was superannuated in 1991. With his demise, Mysore Zoo and animal-lovers have lost a great soul.

—Vijay Hemmige
Vijayanagar Railway Layout
9.9. 2021

Railway Institutes to train youths in industry skills

Central Workshop Mysuru and two others in Karnataka among 75 chosen to provide training

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (OSR)- Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw launched *Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana*, a programme under the aegis of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana at Rail Bhavan in New Delhi on Friday.

The scheme aims to empower youth by way of providing entry-level training in industry-relevant skills through Railway Training Institutes as part of 75 years of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.*

Among the 75 training institutes, three are from Karnataka. They are: Central Workshop, Manandavadi Road, Mysuru South, Multi-Disciplinary Divisional Training Institute, Bengaluru and Carriage Repair Workshop, Hubballi

Over 50,000 youths will be trained over a period of three years. Initially, the training will be provided to 1,000 candidates in trades like electrician, welder, machinist and fitter and will comprise initial basic training of 100 hours. Training in other trades will be added by Zonal Railways and Production Units based on regional demands. Training shall be free and participants will be selected following a transparent mechanism on the basis of marks in matriculation. Candidates who are 10th pass and between 18 and 35 years old can apply. Participants, however, have no claim to seek employment in Railways on the basis of training.

The programme curriculum has been developed by Banaras Locomotive Works, the nodal unit for this scheme which will also standardise assessments and maintain a Centralised database of participants. A nodal website is being developed as the single source of information about programmes offered, notification inviting application, lists of selected candidates, results of selection, final assessment, study material and other details.

Currently, applicants may apply in response to advertisements issued locally. Trainees shall be required to undergo a standardised assessment and will be awarded a certificate in the allotted trade by the National Rail and Transportation Institute.

They will be provided toolkits relevant to their trade which would help these trainees utilise their learnings and enhance their capacity for self-employment as well as employability.

The scheme will upgrade the skills of self-employed and those who are working with contractors through re-skilling and up-skilling and contributing towards the Skill India Mission.

Bags Best Teacher Award

Mysuru, Sept.20- Varuna Government College Political Science Department faculty Dr. Lokesh has bagged the Best Teacher Award given by Institute of Scholars. Dr. Lokesh, a resident of Yadavagiri in city, joined Government service in 1994 and has been serving at Varuna Government College in Mysuru taluk since 2006.

Dr. Lokesh

Dr. Lokesh, an alumnus of University of Mysore, had passed out MA in Political Science by securing 5th rank and bagged third rank in M.Ed. After completing his studies, he served at Vanivilas Girls College and St. Joseph's College in the city for a brief period before joining Government service.

Mock drill by SWR and NDRF team in city tomorrow

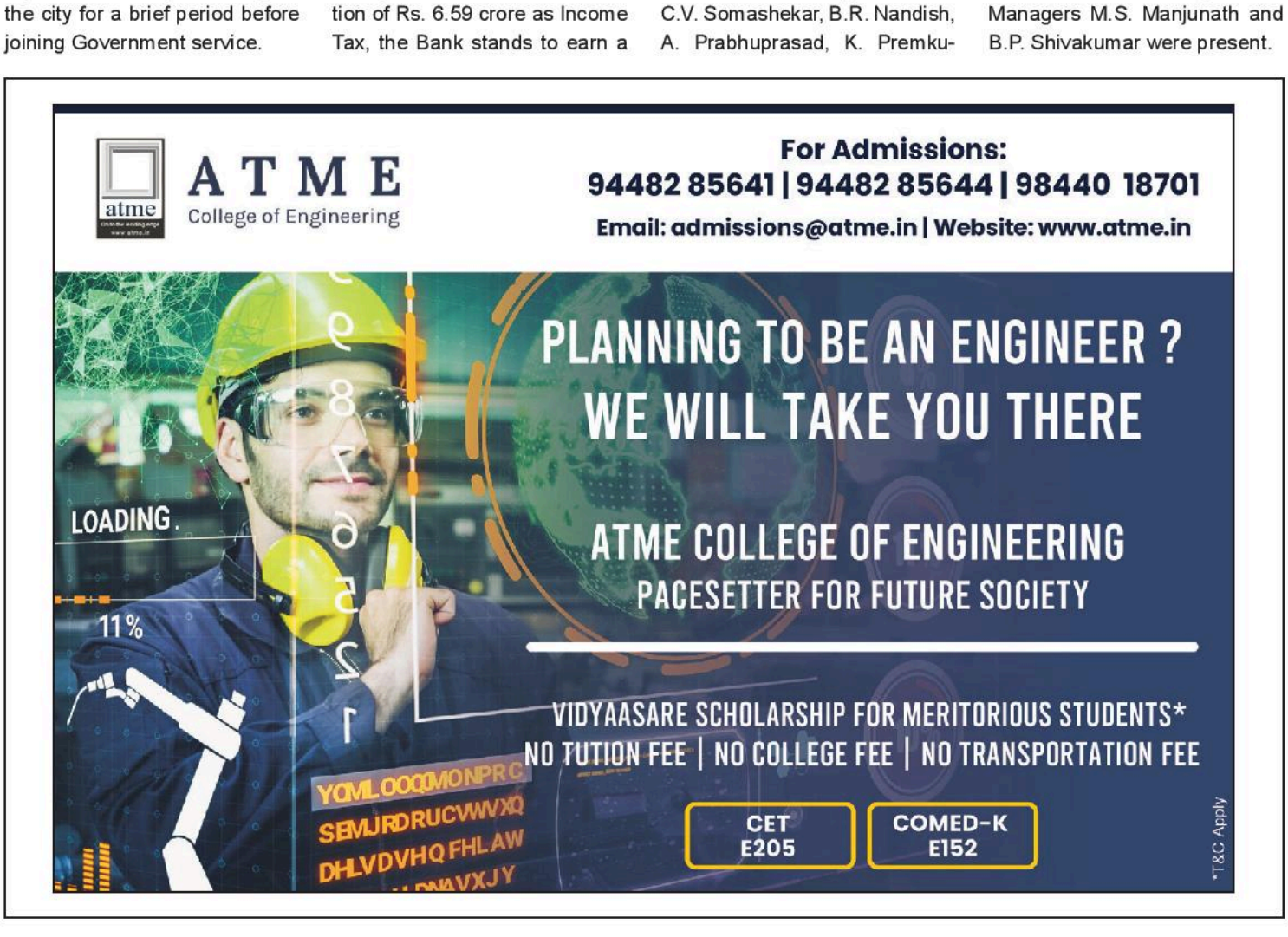
Mysuru, Sept.20- The Mysuru Division of South Western Railway (SWR), along with a team of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and the State Government personnel, will conduct a joint mock drill at Ashokapuram Railway Station in city tomorrow (Sept. 21) from 10.30 am onwards.

Train derailment-induced rescue and relief operations following the incident will be part of the mock drill, according to a press release from Dr. Manjunath Kanamadi, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager and PRO, SWR, Mysuru Division.

The Mysore Merchants Co-operative Bank announces 25 percent dividend

Mysuru, Sept.20 (SBD&DM)- The 62nd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of The Mysore Merchants Co-operative Bank was held in a virtual mode here yesterday.

Addressing the AGM, Bank President R. Anand declared a 25 percent dividend to all shareholders for the year 2020-21. Pointing out that the Bank has earned a gross profit of Rs.12.66 crore, he said that after deduction of Rs. 6.59 crore as Income Tax, the Bank stands to earn a net profit of Rs. 6.07 crore. With the Bank performing well beyond expectations, a 25 percent dividend has been announced, he added. Bank Vice-President R.P. Krishnamurthy, Directors C.V. Somashekar, B.R. Nandish, A. Prabhuprasad, K. Premkumar, M.N. Mahesh, N. Kannan, N. Raghava, S. Rachappaji, N. Sudha, C.S. Gangambike, S. Anuradha and M.R. Vijayalakshmi, the Bank's General Manager Sridhar B. Kulkarni, Branch Managers M.S. Manjunath and B.P. Shivakumar were present.



NEWS BRIEFS

Objections invited

The Women and Child Development Department at T. Narasipur has put up the provisional list of the names of 7 Anganwadi workers, one Mini Anganwadi worker and 16 Anganwadi Helpers who have been selected for vacant posts in T. Narasipur taluk, on the notice board of the office. Those having any objections to the list, may submit the same at the office along with supporting proof, latest by Sept. 25. [Ph: 08227-261267]

Theatre camp

Sanchalana Mysore, Mysuru, has organised a theatre training camp at Parents Association of Deaf Children, Janathanagar, in city from Sept. 20 to Oct. 20 between 4.30 pm and 8.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 98450-75762 or e-mail: *sanchalanamysuru@gmail.com*

Obituary

M.P. Umesh

Mysuru, Sept. 20 - M.P. Umesh (67), retired Punjab National Bank employee and a resident of Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, passed away in the wee hours of today in city.

He leaves behind his wife Rekha, son Vishak and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Siddappa

Siddappa (Chikkasiddaiah), retired MCC Works Inspector and a resident of Basaveshwaranagar near Sharadadevinagar, passed away yesterday evening in city. He was 82 and was previously residing at K.G. Koppal.

He leaves behind his sons, daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds this morning.

Chottanda Cariappa

Chottanda Cariappa (85), a resident of Nazarbad 3rd Cross, passed away yesterday in city. A native of Napoklu in Kodagu, he leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this noon.

Twist to Mandya family suicide in Bengaluru

Death notes recovered; abetment cases booked

Bengaluru, Sept. 20 (BCT)- Three days after his wife, two daughters and a son were found hanging in an suicide pact, the editor of a Kannada newspaper Hallagere Shankar from Mandya and his two sons-in-law were booked by the Bengaluru Police under the charges of abetment to suicide.

Shankar, in his eight-page Police complaint, had blamed his deceased spouse for the whole tragedy. He had stated that his wife, Bharathi, 51, was the root cause of endless disputes in the family. He alleged that she didn't allow their daughters to live with their husbands, thereby wrecking their marital lives.

However, the twist in the case was when the Police recovered three suicide notes where the accusing fingers were pointed at Shankar and his two sons-in-law Praveen and Srikanth.

On Friday evening, Shankar's wife, daughters Sinchana, 34, Sindhurani, 31, and son Madhusagar, 25, were found hanging in the family's home in Thigalarapalya, off Magadi Road. Sindhurani's nine-month-old baby boy was found dead on a bed, apparently starved to death. Sinchana's two-and-a-half-year-old daughter was rescued from a state of near-starvation.

In the three suicide notes, Sinchana, Sindhurani and Madhusagar have alleged that their father Shankar had illicit relationships and the family used to fight frequently over this. Shankar and his sons-in-law were blamed for harassment and the suicide notes mention that mistreatment of women and children must stop at least now.

Sinchana and Sindhurani stated that they were not happy either in their home or in-law's places as the men, including their father, mistreated them. The Police have seized a laptop, a few pen drives and certain documents from the house and have issued notices to Shankar, Praveen and Srikanth to appear before them.

Over 10 to 14 Policemen searched the house and a few torn currency notes were recovered from the rooms. Also, cash worth Rs. 15 lakh, 2 kg gold and silver valuables were recovered.

Police suspect that the three women killed themselves on Sept. 13 and Madhusagar ended his life two days later because his body was not as decomposed as the other three corpses.

Both Sinchana and Sindhurani had been living with their parents for the past one-and-a-half years. Twenty days ago, Sindhurani had consumed some pills and later filed a Police complaint against her husband Srikanth. Sinchana had similar fights with her husband Praveen, Police said.

Sinchana and Sindhurani were preparing for UPSC exams and aspired to get into IAS or IPS, Police said. While Sinchana was an MBA graduate, Sindhurani had studied Engineering. Madhusagar, also an engineer, worked for a Nationalised Bank.

Meanwhile, Sinchana and Praveen's little daughter, who was rescued from a state of near-starvation, is recovering at a hospital.

Though Praveen was shocked to learn that the child went without food for days, Police said that the child could not recognise her father as her mother stayed away from her husband.

Family feud: Man murdered by brother near Saragur

Saragur, Sept. 20 (Nagesh& KS)- A man has been allegedly murdered by his elder brother over family issues. The murder has taken place at Badaga village in Saragur taluk on Friday evening. While the deceased has been identified as Guruswamy (36) of Badaga village, the accused is Mahadevaswamy, the elder brother of the deceased. It is learnt that there used to be frequent fights between them over illicit affair.

On Friday morning, Guruswamy, along with his family members, had gone to his field to harvest cotton. At about 5 pm, when Guruswamy's family members returned home, Mahadevaswamy, who went to the field reportedly threw chilli powder into the eyes of Guruswamy and strangled him to death with a towel.

Guruswamy *Mahadevaswamy*

As Guruswamy did not return home even at night, his family members including Mahadevaswamy went in search of him and when the body of Guruswamy was found, Mahadevaswamy himself lodged a complaint with the Police. Saragur Police, who doubted Mahadevaswamy behind the murder, interrogated him during which he confessed of murdering his brother.

Saragur Circle Inspector Anand guided Sub-Inspector Shravandas, who arrested Mahadevaswamy and produced him before a Court, which remanded the accused to judicial custody.

Driver panics after seeing wild elephant, rams car into tree

Madikeri, Sept. 20 (KS)- A man, who was proceeding in his car towards Siddapura from Polibetta in Kodagu, rammed the vehicle into a tree after seeing a wild elephant on the road near Hundi village in Virajpet taluk yesterday.

It is learnt that the man, working as a Manager of a private Bank, was driving his car, when he noticed a wild elephant appearing all of a sudden in front of the car. The man, who got panicked after seeing the elephant, lost control of the car and drove the vehicle into a roadside estate and rammed the car into a banyan tree.

Though the car has been badly damaged due to the impact, the Bank Manager and others in the car escaped miraculously as the air bags opened due to the impact. Due to the sound of the impact, the elephant is said to have fled from the spot and the car has been dragged out of the estate with the help of a tractor. Siddapura Police visited the spot.

Two Bengalureans meet watery grave at Ganalu Falls in Mandya

Halagur, Sept. 20 (KS)- Two youths from Bengaluru, who had come to Ganalu Falls in Malavalli taluk of Mandya district, met watery graves after they reportedly went for a swim on Saturday.

The deceased have been identified as Samuel (21) and Sibil (21), both residents of M.S. Palya in Bengaluru.

It is learnt that Samuel and Sibil had come to Ganalu Falls on Saturday and according to sources, the two were caught in the whirlpool while swimming and were drowned.

Forest Guards, who saw a car parked near Ganalu Falls on Sunday, went near the Falls to investigate when they found two bodies floating in the river and immediately informed the Police.

Halagur Circle Inspector Dhanraj, Sub-Inspector Maruthi Tammannanavar and staff visited the spot and got the two bodies fished out of the river besides registering a case.

Giraffe Yadunandan dies at Bannerghatta Park

Bengaluru, Sept. 20- Yadunandan, the three-and-a-half-year-old giraffe which was transported to Bannerghatta Biological Park (BBP) in Bengaluru amidst lockdown in April last year, has died yesterday.

It is learnt that as animal keepers and other staff at BBP were busy controlling huge crowd yesterday, Yadunandan is said to have sneaked into the treatment area near the kraal, where its neck got trapped between the two iron railings leading to asphyxiation. As horns of Yadunandan got locked between railings it could not withdraw its neck, it is said.

It may be recalled that Yadunandan, son of 'Krishnaraja' and 'Bubbly' of Mysuru Zoo, was selected to be paired with 'Gowri,'

> Yadunandan was sent to B'luru from Mysuru Zoo in April last year to pair with 'Gowri'

who was alone at Bannerghatta. Even Gowri was gifted to BBP from Mysuru Zoo. On Apr. 24, 2020, Yadunandan was placed in a special container and with the help of a crane, the container was placed on a low floor-long-chassis truck, which transported him to Bannerghatta. Process of conditioning 'Yadunandan' for the journey was undertaken at Mysuru Zoo and the giraffe was acclimatised to special enclosure. Care was taken so that giraffe does not panic inside cage while being transported.

Anti-Corruption Bureau traps Kodagu Executive Engineer

Accused throws money out of office window to forest area

Madikeri, Sept. 20 (PS& BCT)- The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) sleuths in Kodagu caught the Executive Engineer (EE) of Panchayat Raj Engineering Division of Kodagu Zilla Panchayat and four others red-handed while they were allegedly accepting bribe from a contractor for sanctioning a work order to carry out rain damage repair works.

Srikantaiah

The arrested are EE Srikantaiah, Assistant Engineer (AE) Tauseef, Second Division Assistant (SDA) Ramesh, office staff Kavan and middleman Santhosh who negotiated the deal.

The ACB sleuths have seized Rs. 4,10,500 which was in their possession from cars, houses and from the office, said ACB Superintendent of Police Arunamshugiri.

The bribe money per se is Rs. 2.67 lakh and as the raid was on, the accused threw the money collected from the contractor to a nearby forest area through the window. Spotting this, the ACB sleuths have recovered it as well. The officials also conducted a raid on the house of Srikantaiah.

Class 1 Contractor Baddira Nanda from Cherambane had submitted a complaint to the ACB along with the documents. Nanda had applied for the work to repair the damaged four roads and five culverts in Kadagadalu, Badaga Kottur and Bengur under the Bengur Gram Panchayat at an estimated cost of Rs. 23 lakh. He had also applied for the works to construct a solid waste management unit at Stone Hill in Madikeri at a cost of Rs. 28.5 lakh to dispose of waste from Murnad and Madikeri.

As per the Government norms, a work order and an agreement have to be made before the works commence and the file was with the Panchayat Raj Engineering Division.

The official team led by EE Srikantaiah, however, did not clear the work order and the agreement for more than six months and instead asked Nanda to pay a bribe of Rs. 1.92 lakh. AE Tauseef demanded Rs. 75,000 for granting the tender and the work order.

Nanda agreed to pay the bribe and when he went with the money to Srikantaiah, he was asked to pay the money to SDA Ramesh. Tauseef had already taken Rs. 75,000 from Nanda and had paid middleman Santhosh.

Before handing over the money to the accused, contractor Nanda had alerted the ACB sleuths and the accused were caught red-handed.

All the five were found accepting Rs. 2.53 lakh when the ACB carried out the raid and more searches in the office and the car yielded Rs. 1,43,500.

As the money recovered was more than the money mentioned in the complaint, the ACB sleuths raided the house of Srikantaiah near Sudarshan Circle and seized the CCTV cameras, hard disk and the computer.

It may be mentioned here that Srikantaiah was suspended two years ago on the allegations of misuse of funds released under National Disaster Relief Fund (NDRF). He has a huge political clout and later he occupied the EE's post after his suspension was revoked.

Lone tusker creates tension among villagers in K.R. Pet

K.R. Pet, Sept. 20 (Srinivas& AK)- Tension prevailed among the villagers of Chikkonahalli near Pura village in K.R. Pet taluk, after a lone tusker was spotted in the wee hours yesterday.

The villagers, who got panicked, immediately informed the matter to the Forest Department officials that the tusker was spotted moving from Teganahalli Gate towards the forest in Karoti village.

A team of Forest staff led by Range Forest Officer (RFO) Gangadhar, immediately swung into action and based on the information provided by the villagers, has launched a combing operation to capture the tusker.

Forest officials urge villagers not to disturb the tusker

Meanwhile, the Forest Department officials have urged the villagers not to disturb or agitate the tusker by shouting or throwing stones at it as the elephant may get agitated and attack them.

Forest officials said that an elephant had got separated from its herd in Huliyuru Durga Forest a few days back and was spotted at Mallasanda Kaval of Devalapura in Nagamangala taluk. The same elephant, after crossing Jalasuru-Bengaluru Highway had entered K.R. Pet Taluk and was spotted by the villagers at Chikkonahalli near Pura village.

The officials further said that the tusker had stayed put in the forest near Karoti village and the Forest staff have sent back villagers working in agricultural fields nearby as a precautionary step. To prevent any untoward incidents from taking place, Forest staff has been deployed in the surroundings of the forest area near Karoti village, the Forest officials added.

The Forest officials have advised the villagers to stay indoors and not to venture outside till the tusker moves out of the area.

Assault on Hindu activist at K.R. Pet

Two Constables suspended

K.R. Pet, Sept. 20 (Srinivas& DM)- Two Police Constables attached to K.R. Pet Town Police Station have been suspended on charges of beating up an office-bearer of Hindu Jagarana Vedike in the Police Station.

Rahmatullah and Pradeep are the two suspended Constables.

Details: A Ganesha immersion ceremony was taking place at Sindhughatta in the taluk under the leadership of Hindu Jagarana Vedike General Secretary Satish on Thursday evening, when the K.R. Pet Town Police Sub-Inspector Byatarayagowda and other staff, who were on bandobust duty at the village, entered into a verbal argument with Satish over some trivial issue.

Following the verbal spat, the PSI is alleged to have brought Satish to K.R. Pet Town Police Station late on Thursday night, where he was beaten up by the Police.

Upon learning of the assault, Hindu activists and other villagers of Sindhughatta went to K.R. Pet and laid siege to the Town Police Station, demanding suspension of the PSI and other staff who beat up Satish.

Meanwhile, Satish who sustained injuries due to the assault, was admitted at the town's General Hospital for treatment.

Hindu activists and other villagers of Sindhughatta laying siege to the K.R. Pet Town Police Station.

As the unrelenting protesters continued with their stir, Mandya SP Dr. Ashwini visited K.R. Pet on Friday evening and held talks with the protesting Hindu activists who remained adamant on the suspension of PSI Byatarayagowda and two other Constables who beat up Satish.

But even after hours of discussion that went late into Friday night, the unbudging protesters kept up their tempo, when the SP announced that Constables Rahmatullah and Pradeep have been suspended and also assured that she would recommend to the IGP (Southern Range) to take action against the PSI in question, as she had no powers to suspend a Sub-Inspector.

Following the suspension of the two Constables and getting an assurance from the SP on action against PSI Byatarayagowda, the protesters withdrew their stir, while issuing a warning that they would be forced to call a K.R. Pet bandh in case no action was taken against the PSI.

Vedike office-bearers Yogananda, Sujan, Chandan, Ratnakar and Janardhan, BJP leader Sandesh, TMC Member Nataraj, Agrahara Nataraj, Harish and others took part in the protest.

Unidentified man dies in hospital

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (KS)- An unidentified man, who was found lying sick near Gandhi Square on Sept. 12 and admitted to K.R. Hospital by the public, has breathed his last at the hospital on Sept. 16 at about 6.55 am.

The deceased is aged between 30 and 40 years, 5.6 ft. tall, oval faced, oily red complexioned, has the name 'Shaala' tattooed in Hindi on his right hand and has scars on the left side of his forehead and on right hand.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Lashkar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418107/ 307 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339/ 340, according to a press release.

RT-PCR test not mandatory for travellers from Tamil Nadu

Chamarajanagar, Sept. 20- With COVID crisis easing in the State, the Chamarajanagar District Administration has withdrawn the order that made production of an RT-PCR negative report mandatory for travellers from Tamil Nadu entering Karnataka.

Chamarajangar DC Dr. M.R. Ravi, in an order issued on July 31, had made submission of RT-PCR negative report (taken within 72 hours of their travel) mandatory at the Karnataka-TN border check-posts for all travellers from Tamil Nadu, as a measure to check the spread of the deadly virus, which continued to cause havoc across the State.

But with the easing of crisis, the DC has withdrawn the order on RT-PCR negative report submission, with immediate effect, according to a press release.

Weight training for Howdah elephant

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Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Dr. V. Karikalan, speaking on the occasion, said that weight training for Abhimanyu began from today and other seven Dasara elephants also took part in the training session. Abhimanyu carried 300-kg sand bags on the first day and the weight will be gradually increased, he added.

Continuing, Dr. Karikalan said that after three to four days of weight training, the wooden howdah, weighing 350-kg will be placed on Abhimanyu and sand bags will be placed inside it which will be gradually increased till the weight equals 750-kg, the weight of the Golden Howdah.

Speaking about getting the Dasara elephants acclimatised to sound, Dr. Karikalan said that the canon firing drill will be held three times and the date and time of the firing drill will be informed later.

Abhimanyu's Mahout Vasanth and Kavadi Raju and mahouts and kavadis of other seven Dasara elephants accompanied their elephants during the training today.

During previous years, Dasara elephants were being trained to familiarise them on *Jumboo Savari* route from the Palace, passing through K.R. Circle, Sayyaji Rao Road, Government Ayurveda Hospital Circle, Old RMC Circle, Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Circle (Highway Circle) and Nelson Mandela Road to reach the Torchlight Parade Grounds at Bannimantap.

But due to COVID-19 pandemic, familiarising the Dasara elephants on *Jumboo Savari* route has been stopped since last year and the training is being held inside the Palace premises only.

Doctors demand COVID salary

(Continued from page 1)

Charging that the MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj has ignored them, the protestors said that there are no Junior Resident posts in MMC&RI.

"The Dean, when approached, bluntly told us to take transfer to any other institutions. When they needed us they appointed us to serve. Now when cases are declining, we are treated badly. We feel that we are being exploited," a protestor said.

They argued that the Government had fixed a monthly salary of Rs. 40,000 which was not enough considering the present cost of living and claimed that though they served as frontline workers during the height of COVID-19 pandemic, the MMC&RI has ignored them now.

Contending that apart from salary, which they truly deserved to be paid for their dedicated service, they said that they are also deprived of COVID incentive of Rs. 10,000 per month which was promised by the Government. "During counselling, we were offered Rs. 62,000 per month and COVID allowance of Rs. 10,000 per month. Later after appointment they reduced the salary to Rs. 40,000 and now there is neither salary nor allowance," a doctor said.

They sought the intervention of the Health Minister, Department of Medical Education and the Department of Health and Family Welfare to render justice to them. Claiming that they are not given any accommodation during their service, they argued that the authorities had failed to pay them even the promised salary of Rs. 40,000 and this has put them in a lot of hardship.

Channi takes oath as Punjab CM

Chandigarh, Sept. 20 (UNI)- Charanjit Singh Channi today took oath as the first Dalit Chief Minister of Punjab, a day after being picked for the top post by the Congress leadership.

Charanjit Singh Channi

Governor Banwarilal Purohit administered oath to Channi, along with Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa and Om Prakash Soni, who are expected to be appointed Deputy Chief Ministers.

Channi was picked as the CM of Punjab months ahead of the 2022 Punjab Assembly polls, after miffed Captain Amarinder Singh resigned on Saturday following months of power tussle between him and State Party Chief Navjot Singh Sidhu.

II PU supplementary exam: 29.91 pass percentage

Bengaluru, Sept. 20 (DM)- The II PU supplementary exam (2020-21) for private students, repeaters and students, who had rejected the annual exam results, has seen a pass percentage of 29.91. Announcing the results at his office in Vidhana Soudha here this morning, Primary and Secondary Education Minister B.C. Nagesh said that a total of 18,413 students had appeared for the exam, who included 17,470 private students, 592 students who rejected the 2020-21 annual exam results and 351 repeaters.

Pointing out 5,507 students of the 18,413 students who took the exam passed the exam, Nagesh said that 580 students have passed with distinction while 1,939 students have passed in first class and 1,578 in second class.

The results available in the website: *www.karresults.nic.in*

Temple demolition will not recur: CM

'Razing of Nanjangud temple pained everyone; steps to be taken to rectify mistake'

Davanagere, Sept. 20 (Agencies)- Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has said that his Government is contemplating taking legal and administrative steps to ensure that instances such as the temple demolition in Nanjangud do not recur. He was addressing partymen after inaugurating the State Executive Meeting of the BJP in Davanagere yesterday. The two-day event began on Saturday and ended last evening.

Under fire from not only Opposition parties and Hindu outfits but even from BJP leaders and functionaries over demolition of temples, especially the centuries old Huchhagani Adishakti Mahadevamma Temple in Nanjangud, Bommai announced that his Government has decided against razing any more temples and will explore other options to deal with the Supreme Court directive.

"The demolition has pained everyone and had taken place because officials took action in a hurry without bringing it to the notice of the Government. We will take a firm decision that will put a full stop to such instances that disturb peace and religious sentiments," he said.

The CM said that it was not the first time such a thing had occurred as similar incidents had happened in Gujarat, Maharashtra and other States where senior leaders had resolved the issues showing Statesmanship.

"The Nanjangud incident is a challenge and all steps would be taken to end such issues. Also, the Government will mitigate the pain suffered by devotees. I assure you that a discussion is on with the legal experts to find out an administrative as well as legal solution to avoid an incident like this in the future," he added.

Taking a dig at the Congress, he said after Independence, Congress started its political innings by riding on the wave of Independence. "They (Congress) did not have any clear principle and ideology, due to which Mahatma Gandhi advocated disbanding the party but it always used Gandhiji as their ideological showpiece because they knew that their politics won't survive without him," Bommai said.

The Chief Minister said the Congress has shifted now from one Gandhi to another. "On the one hand was a democratic Gandhi and on the other, there was a dictatorial Gandhi," Bommai said.

On the contrary, Prime Minister Narendra Modi changed the course of politics by showing concerns for everything right from cleanliness to sports. According to Bommai, the Modi Government believes in 'Sarva Vyapi Aur Sarva Sparshi Sarkar' (a Government all-pervading and touching upon everyone's life).

Yediyurappa's advise

At the meeting, former CM B.S. Yediyurappa said the Modi wave would help win Lok Sabha elections easily, but party leaders and workers need to put in the effort to win State elections. "Let us not be under some notion. We should also put in efforts and by helping development works reach the people, we should win the elections," he said.

Senior party functionaries and Union Ministers Pralhad Joshi, Shobha Karandlaje, D.V. Sadananda Gowda and BJP National General Secretary and Karnataka In-Charge Arun Singh, BJP State Chief Nalin Kumar Kateel, BJP State Vice-President B.Y. Vijayendra, BJP MLAs, MLCs, MPs and district-level BJP functionaries were present.

Huchhagani temple will be rebuilt: MP

The demolished Adishakti Mahadevamma Temple at Huchhagani village in Nanjangud taluk will be rebuilt. "A new shrine will be built in the same village. I have discussed the issue with Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and he has agreed," Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha said.

The MP said that the CM will be in Nanjangud to initiate the temple construction. "The temple will not come up at the same site but built at another location. The temple was demolished on Sept. 8 as the Taluk Administration had ordered so after misreading a Supreme Court order. I have explained to the CM the circumstances that led to the demolition and he too agreed for an urgent need to protect Hindu shrines from the threat of demolition," he said.

Plays are more popular than poetry in our country, says Folk Scholar

'Bharatiya Rangasangeetha-Natakotsava - B.V. Karanth Ranganamana' launched

Folk Scholar Krishnamurthy Hanur lighting the lamp to inaugurate the week-long 'Bharatiya Rangasangeetha Natakotsava - B.V. Karanth Ranganamana' festival at Rangayana premises in city last evening. Others seen are (from left) Rangayana Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Bengaluru's B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana Managing Trustee Jayaram Patil, Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa, NSD-Bengaluru Director Veena Sharma Bhusanurmath and Karnataka Shilpakala Academy Chairman Veeranna M. Arkasali.

Mysuru, Sept. 20 (MK&DM)- Maintaining that plays are more popular than poetry in our country, Folk Scholar Krishnamurthy Hanur said that theatre is a difficult one to learn and success can be achieved in this field only through hard work and dedication.

He was speaking after inaugurating the week-long 'Bharatiya Rangasangeetha Natakotsava - B.V. Karanth Ranganamana' festival organised jointly by Babukodi B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana and Kannada & Culture Department, Benglauru, at Rangayana premises here yesterday.

Pointing out that there is a lot of difference between cinema and plays, Krishnamurthy Hanur said that while cinemas focus on incidents that have already occurred, plays concentrate on the ones that are currently happening.

Noting that while a cinema director can rest after the cinema is ready to be screened, the play director's role is like sitting amidst tension and anxiety, when the play is being performed.

Contending that plays have made everyone happy right from the period of Kalidasa to modern times, he said that thousands of people used to watch plays in the earlier days. But with the passage of time, people are watching TV, sitting in the comfort of their homes along with family members. Now this trend too has changed, with numerous mobile apps providing a variety of entertainment, thus creating one's own world. Continuing, Krishnamurthy said that he has not seen anything like Mysuru's Rangayana elsewhere. Stating that those practicing plays here reminds him of Mumbai's famed Prithvi theatre, he said that B.V. Karanth dedicated his entire life for theatre and as such he is rightly called as Rangajangama.

NSD-Bengaluru Director Veena Sharma Bhusanurmath offering floral tributes after unveiling the fibre-made bust of B.V. Karanth at the entrance of the Rangayana premises yesterday. Others seen are Addanda Cariappa, Anitha Cariappa, Krishnamurthy Hanur, Jayaram Patil, Mallikarjunaswamy, Veeranna Arkasali and noted sculptor A.R. Manjunath (who made the fibre-bust of B.V. Karanth).

Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa, who presided over the inaugural, said that most people of the current generation mistake B.V. Karanth for Jnanpith awardee writer Shivaram Karanth. Recalling the pains taken by B.V. Karanth for the development of Mysuru Rangayana, he said that the great theatre icon's bust has been installed in order to make his presence felt always.

Asserting that B.V. Karanth is an inspiration to all theatre artistes and enthusiasts alike, Cariappa said that as a Kodava, he will give everything that he has for taking Rangayana to much greater heights.

B.V. Karanth's bust unveiled

National School of Drama (NSD), Bengaluru Director Veena Sharma Bhusanurmath unveiled the fibre-made bust of B.V. Karanth at the entrance of the premises. Speaking on the occasion, Veena Sharma Bhusanurmath said that B.V. Karanth has created a record of sorts in the hearts of the people. Asserting that Karanth will be alive as long as theatre exists, she said Karanth's contribution for the theatre is unmatched.

Karnataka Shilpakala Academy Chairman Veeranna M. Arkasali released B.V. Karanth's autobiography 'Illiralaare-Allige Hogalaare' (Neither can stay here, nor go there), while senior theatre personality and Bengaluru's B.V. Karanth Pratishtana Managing Trustee Jayaram Patil released a memoir titled 'Bharatiya Rangasangeetha - Natakotsava' on the occasion.

Noted sculptor A.R. Manjunath, who made the fibre-bust of B.V. Karanth, was felicitated.

The week-long event began with Rangayana artistes reciting the song 'Solisabyaada... Gelisayyaa' that focused on Lord Biligiri Ranganathaswamy.

On the first day of the event yesterday, a Sufi musical concert by Rajasthan's noted Sufi singer Mukhtiyar Ali and troupe enthralled the audience. Ali , who was supported by Waqar Younus in vocal, was accompanied by Dr. Deepak Paramashivan on sarangi, Rakesh Kumar on dholak and Ali Sher on tabla.

Rangayana Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and others were present. The week-long festival concludes on Sept. 26.

Rajasthan's noted Sufi singer Mukhtiyar Ali presenting Sufi musical concert accompanied by Waqar Younus (vocal), Dr. Deepak Paramashivan (sarangi), Ali Sher (tabla) and Rakesh Kumar (dholak). Picture right shows Rangayana artistes reciting the song 'Solisabyaada... Gelisayyaa' on Lord Biligiri Ranganathaswamy during the inaugural.

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Two decades of 9/11

By Gouri Satya,
Sr. Journalist

Gouri Satya

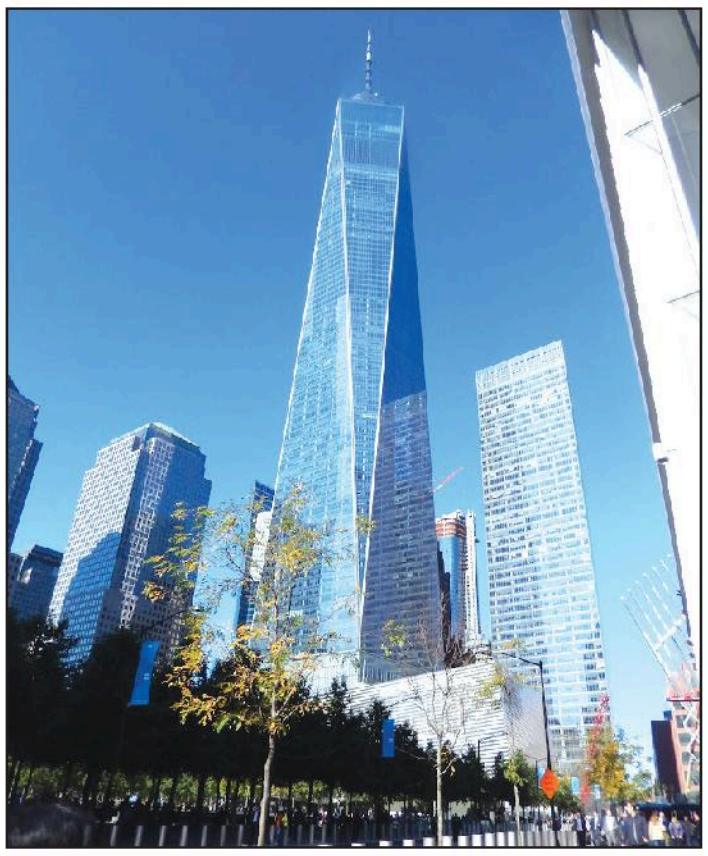
It has been 20 years since the World Trade Centre's (WTC) iconic twin towers were destroyed by terrorists in New York, US, on September 11, 2001 killing almost 3,000 people and causing injuries to more than 6,000 others. Those on board of the two aircraft which crashed into the two towers also perished. Among the victims were some 250 Indians.

The WTC was a large complex of seven buildings, the two towers rising to the height of 1,368 feet and 1,362 feet reaching to the sky. They were the tallest in the world.

While a large number of those, who were exposed to the cancer-causing toxic pollutants in the dust and debris cloud from the collapse of the WTC hung in the air for more than three months, continue to suffer, the near-death escape continues to haunt the survivors even after two decades and for those who lost their dearest ones the loss is irreplaceable.

Each year on the anniversary, families and friends of the victims gather for a ceremony at the newly built Memorial Plaza. The names of 2,983 men, women and children killed in one of the greatest tragedies of humanity are read out. Six moments of silence mark the times when each of the towers was struck.

This year on September 11, a solemn ceremony was conducted at the Memorial Plaza. President Joe Biden attended the memorial event at the Ground Zero. Former Presidents Bill Clinton and Barrack Obama joined in paying homage to the victims among others. The event was watched by hundreds of Americans gathered there, some carrying photos of their loved ones died in the attack.


One World Trade Centre and other towers

The Memorial and the towers.

When I visited New York in 2017, my curiosity as a journalist did not fail to take me to the new WTC complex, now rebuilt with six new skyscrapers and other buildings. The tallest, One World Trade Centre, is of 1,776 feet making it the third tallest building in the world. A Memorial and Museum to those killed in the attacks attract friends and relatives of those killed and visitors from all over the world.

A large number of surveillance cameras and armed cops keep a close watch. Nearly 3,000 names have been inscribed on the bronze parapets which surround the twin waterfall pools at the Memorial. A small hole above the victim's name allows one to insert a flower or their National Flag and pay homage. The deep wounds and grief in the hearts of many left by the tragedy was apparent at the Memorial.

Visitors at the Memorial.

Birthday Puja

by Orissa Association Mysore for PM Narendra Modi

By Dilip Kumar Misra
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On the occasion of the 71st birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Orissa Association Mysore (OAM), performed special *puja* in the ancient temple of Sri Venkateswara and Bhoga Narasimha, situated on the banks of holy river Cauvery in Belagola, Srirangapatna taluk, Mandya district, Karnataka.

Narendra Modi

Puja was performed in an auspicious hour on 17.09.2021 at 11 am by the Archaka Sri Srikanth Bhat with Sankalpa in the name of our PM Narendra Damodardas Modi of Anuradha Nakshatra and Karkatta Rashi, with chanting of Vedic hymns and Mantras, for his long and active life with best health.

Members of OAM wanted to spread the life story of Narendra Modi — how he has worked for the country to become the Prime Minister with honesty, truthfulness and hard work, a living example for everyone. And to bow before Sri Venkateswara and Bhoga Narasimha with consorts Sridevi and Bhudevi and also before the presiding God of Odisha, Lord Jagannath to give long and safe life to Narendra Modi to serve the downtrodden Indians for a long period.

Although the temple is more than 1,000 years old and dilapidated, the stone sculptured presiding Gods and Goddesses are found in good condition, made out of Nadabramhasila. Many devotees have experienced peace of mind, tranquillity and solace while inside the temple — even some have experienced miracles.

The temple is a property of Government of Karnataka under Mandya District Administration. In August 2003, when a few OAM members trod in to the barren land on banks of Cauvery for immersion of Lord Ganesha and simultaneously in search of a land for Jagannath Temple, miraculously discovered the dilapidated structure. And as if with Gods divine desire and explicit commands, those members of OAM decided to renovate that ruined temple without knowing which God or Goddess is presiding inside. Subsequently, with lot of efforts and running around, permission was obtained from DC Mandya for its renovation. Now first stage of renovation has been completed and daily *puja* of the deities is being performed since 14th April 2005.

The location of the temple is fantastic — serene surroundings, one side the murmuring Cauvery and other three sides green paddy fields. Surroundings are sacred. Along the 2.5 km road from KRS Road, there are many temples and sacred places. The Swayambhu Anjanaya, Lakshmi Narasimha and Gurukulam, Devi Maramma, the newly built Shree Swaminarayan Gurukul International School, then Srinivasa Kshetra with Venkateswara and Bhoga Narasimha and lastly the Sarvadharma Ashram, a Sufi establishment in the middle of Cauvery. With involvement from Government of Karnataka and support from public, there is vast scope of converting the area as an important tourist and religious place.

Orissa Association Mysore (OAM) is a non-commercial and socio-cultural organisation established in Mysore in the year 1993 and in the year 1998, it was formally registered under Karnataka Registration of Societies Act 1960 (no.2/98-99).

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FIBA Women's Asia Cup 2021

Kodagu girl in Indian team

Navaneetha Pattemane is employed with South Western Railways, Mysuru

Madikeri, Sept. 20 (Akshay& BCT)- Power Forward from Kodagu Navaneetha Pattemane Udayakumar will be a part of the Indian team in the FIBA Women's Asia Cup Basketball Tournament, scheduled to commence in Amman, Jordan, on Sept. 27.

The Indian team is placed in 'Group A' alongside Japan, Korea and New Zealand and the Indian squad will be led by Shireen Limaye. The squad comprises Shireen Limaye (captain), Madhu Kumari, Sruthi Arvind, S. Pushpa, P.U. Navaneetha, S. Sathiya, M. Nishanthi, Vaishnavi Yadav, Sreekala Rani, Anumaria, Stephy Nixon and S.M. Sahana.

Standing 5-foot-10 inches tall, Navaneetha has been an outstanding performer in women's basketball in the country. She has represented India in the FIBA Asia Women's Basketball Championships and is employed with South Western Railways (SWR), Mysuru.

Before joining SWR, Navaneetha was trained at the DYES Sports Hostel, Mysuru. She is the recipient of the prestigious 'Ekalavya Award' and Karnataka Olympic Association (KOA) Award for her feats in the sport.

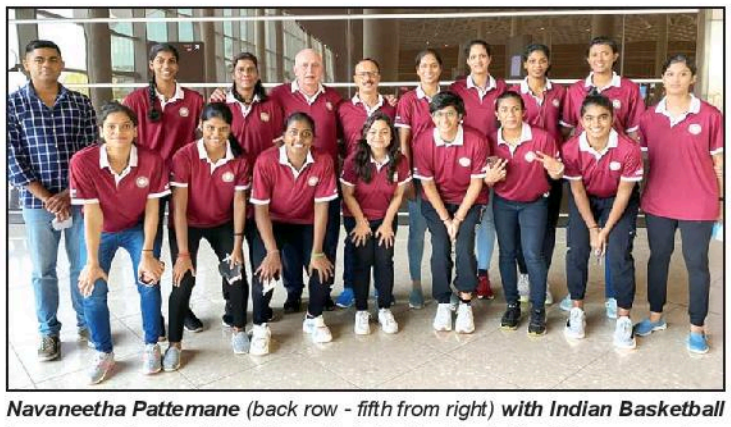
Navaneetha is the daughter of P.P. Udayakumar and P.U. Girija, who are residents at Suntikoppa, Kodagu. She married K.M. Adarsh from Mysuru this year, who is serving in the Indian Army.

Initially encouraged by her parents, Navaneetha joined Sports School, Vidyanagar, and later on joined Sports Hostel, Mysuru,

in 2006. Initially, she was coached by B.S. Girish, SAK Basketball coach and DYES & SAK Basketball coach M.B. Patil at DYES, Mysuru.

A forward, Navaneetha is an attacking player and impresses with her skilful play. She began her career by representing Karnataka in the School Nationals held at Punjab in 2008 and from then on, has never looked back. She has represented the State in the Women's Nationals, Youth Nationals from 2009 till 2010 and in 2011, she represented the State in the Senior and Junior Nationals in Delhi.

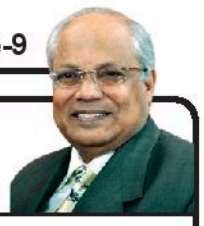
She represented the Mysore University in the Inter-University Championships in 2011-12 at Kannur and has been a regular in the team from then on. In 2009-10, her excellent play in the Nationals earned her the Indian cap when she donned Indian colours in the 1st FIBA Asia U-16 Championships held in Pune. She also took part in the NBA All India Tournament held at Delhi in 2001-12. She took part in the Junior Indian and Youth Indian camp held at Delhi and Tamil Nadu.



Navaneetha Pattemane** (back row - fifth from right) **with Indian Basketball team ready for the FIBA Women's Asia Cup Basketball Tournament.

CRICKET TALK

By V.N. Prasad



Aborted English Tour was disappointing

while we were chanting *Yeh Dil Maange More!* upon our victory at the Oval

Ravi Shastry was imprudent in releasing his book while COVID is still active in England. He compounded the act by tagging along a few players and supporting staff to the function — all contributing to agonising abortion of an excellent series. BBCI's offer to send our team for completing the series in July, 2022 and play five T20 matches may compensate financial losses to the ECB but it may/ will not bring the excitement of the 5th Test, had it been in continuation; irrespective of the end result. Well, all is history now.

Celebrations across the country were hysteric as we beat England emphatically at the Oval. Buffs could not wait for the Manchester Test to commence. Dreams were afloat looking forward to a 3-1 victory. A couple of hours before the toss, there came the shock — "5th Test called off due to COVID constraints." It was a disappointing end to the current English tour; especially when India was leading 2-1; the best that we have achieved on English soil till date. England had a providential escape at Nottingham; the 1st Test; where the last day was washed off, with India needing merely 156 with 9 wickets in hand. Else, we should have been 3-1 in the series. Congratulations to Virat & Co on this magnificent feat.

Our new 'Opening Pair' looks fairly well settled. Riveting partnerships between Rohit and KLR provided the initial momentum; thanks to the dropped catches. Virat started with assurance, but could not convert to big scores. Rahane and Pujara are well past their mettle/ prime and need grand 'Fare-Well'. 'Tail Enders' batted majestically that enabled our victories both at Lord's and Oval. Rich complements to Shardul Thakur whose three 50 plus knocks were sheer class in our 2-1 lead. His abilities to cut, drive and pull are of top class. We salute him. Going forward, he and Washy Sundar should be carefully groomed as 'All Rounders.'

English batting was lackluster. Barring the absolute brilliance of Skipper Root, none in the English side looked comfortable. Different permutations and combinations in Dom Sibley, Zak Crawley, Dan Lawrence, Haseeb Hameed, Dawid Malan and Moeen Ali could neither consolidate the top nor the middle order. In the melee it was the resoluteness and sheer class of Joe Root that made the difference.

This article would be incomplete without a paragraph dedicated to Root. Skipper Root makes batting look ridiculously easy. In the year 2021, he has six centuries to his credit. He stands proud and tall over every other batsman in this series. In 5 innings, he has an aggregate of 507 runs at an average of 126.75; and with three brilliant back to back centuries and has aggregated 9,278 Test runs. He is a 'touch' player and plays late. Anything short of good length, he strikes between backward of point and slips cordon and powerfully so. He is very agile off the toes and off the hips too. Only when deliveries are absolutely of full length does he lean to drive gracefully. Never an aggressive player, he looks clam and composed in every geographic condition across cricketing world. Just read his 2021 record. 228 and 186 in Galle. 218 at Chennai. 109 at Nottingham. 180 at the Lord's. 121 at Leeds. In this calendar year he has aggregated 1,398 runs; becoming only the 4th captain in world cricket amassing such total. Importantly and noticeably, Root controls his emotions very well and carries himself in dignified demeanour; very much unlike our skipper Virat Kohli who looks 'over excited' and 'over aggressive' on most occasions; many a time looking awkward and embarrassing. He should realise that he is the captain of one of the best sides in the world.

Our bowlers on this tour were formidable. All of them — Bumrah, Md. Shami and Md. Siraj — look a 'World Class' combination. In-between, Ishanth Sharma and Umesh Yadav too did their bit and very effectively. Root getting castled by Umesh, Pope's timber getting shattered and Bairstow bamboozled by Bumrah, beauty of late outswing from Thakur taking the varnish of Rory Burns were all treat to discerning eyes. The fact that none lost the edge to create path for the world's best off-spinner Ashwin to find a place was redeeming indeed. Salutation to Jimmy Anderson. He can exploit English conditions like none other — consistently enticing batsmen to jab and get the edge. He was very strongly supported by young Ollie Robinson. Mark Wood and Chris Wokes added to the strength. That the seamers of both sides dominated bowling attack in the series was unprecedented.

To sign off, we do hope and pray that all will be very well for the remainder of IPL 2021. Going forward, ICC World Cup should go on without any blemish. Here is wishing all our best to the players to exhibit their best and continue to provide the country the entertainment ▪

WORD OF THE DAY

Responsive

Pronunciation: Rih-SPAHN-siv.
Meaning: Responsive means "quick to respond or react in a desired or appropriate manner."
Origin: Responsive comes from the joining of Latin responsus with the suffix -ivus, which gave English -ive. That suffix changes verbs into adjectives, as in suggestive or corrosive. Responsus is a form of respondēre, which means "to answer" and is the source of English's respond. Responsive enters the language with the meaning "giving response" or "answering." Examples are "a responsive letter" or "a responsive glance." Nowadays, it variously describes people or things that immediately respond or react to something, such as "a responsive audience" or "a car with responsive steering."
Example: "A mobile responsive website is one that adapts to fit different screens, most notably mobile phones. It can do this in a number of ways that improve visibility and usability. For example, a mobile responsive site will have pictures that change to fit the screen size. Buttons and text will do the same, so they can all be viewed properly on a phone screen." — June Potter, The Times Union (Albany, New York), 17 June 2021.

THE ODD WORD

Ragabash

Idle worthless fellow.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Rome was not built in a day

Meaning: When you say 'Rome was not built in a day' you mean that something is going to take time to complete.
Origin: The origin of the expression 'Rome was not built in a day' is an ancient one, attesting to the fact that it takes time to create things that are worthwhile. One of the first examples was published in France sometime around 1190.
Example: "I heard you're writing a book. When will it be finished?" Answer: "Sometime next year. After all, Rome was not built in a day!"

QUOTE BOX

I found Rome a city of bricks and left it a city of marble.—**Augustus**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

CUSTARD π

Answer: Custard pie.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Highest in cards
4 Walking speed?
8 Elected rep.
11 Distress call
12 Tests or examinations in brief
14 Put one's __ in : meddle or interfere with?
15 Suffix with "self" or "good"
16 Perceive
17 Indistinct
18 Pole of a spear
20 Wet (of weather)
22 An angry dispute
24 Flit about
25 Sacred or pious
28 Air Transport Auxiliary
30 Assistant
34 The eggs of fish
35 Timid, bashful
36 Israel's __ Aviv
37 Shakespeare, abbr.
39 Something to spend in Afghanistan
40 Tax; duty
41 Lic. in Med. & Surg.
43 Newt
45 Having made a bad change
48 Take up as one's own
52 Frozen water
53 Nigri for one, Maki for another
57 Dubai locale
58 Time To Stn.
59 Pertaining to our continent
60 A watering place
61 A chronic drinker
62 Miner's egress
63 A facial feature

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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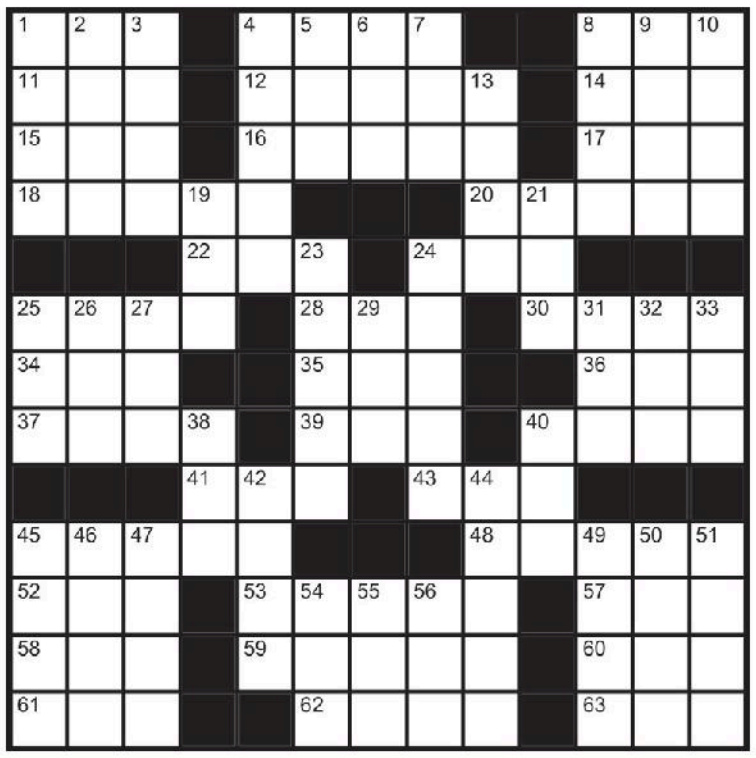
DOWN
1 Unchanged (2,2)
2 Weapon of assault
3 ____Deol of Dhoom
4 Basil-based sauce
5 Chopper
6 Tin for food preserves
7 Printer's measures
8 Our Prime Minister Narendra ___
9 Past tense of lie
10 Battle group
13 Antitoxins
19 Cook in hot oil or fat
21 Nabokov novel
23 Black and yellow stingers
24 Windies batsman Chris ___
25 Hours in short ?
26 Cry of delight
27 Another word for 'meadow'
29 Wed successor
31 Suffix denoting native or inhabitant
32 Mr. Anand of Bollywood
33 East Anglian city - "ley" anagram
38 Kilolitres, abbr.
40 Limited, in short
42 Flat-topped hill
44 Swoon
45 Intelligence
46 Eight as a prefix
47 Remainder or what's left
49 A well-known river of Yorkshire
50 Old-fashionednameforFather
51 Rip
54 2002 Winter Olympics host
55 Ranbir Kapoor starrer "Wake Up ____"
56 Helicopter Assoc. International



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3				6				9
	4	5		8		6	9	
			6		1			
		6				3		

Answer to previous puzzle

1	6	5	8	7	2	9	4	3
8	3	7	4	6	9	5	1	2
4	9	2	1	5	3	8	6	7
7	2	3	6	4	5	1	9	8
9	8	6	2	3	1	4	7	5
5	4	1	7	9	8	2	3	6
2	7	9	5	1	6	3	8	4
6	1	8	3	2	4	7	5	9
3	5	4	9	8	7	6	2	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

YF TPMBW SN E ZNHU SYX SPPQ FKEF APGFEYGNW

EBB FKN DEUSNJ MFFNHNW YG E WEU.

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS L

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A man thinks that by mouthing hard words he understands hard things.

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Shang-Chi & Legend of Ten Rings (E-2D)	(S-1)	10.35 am, 6.20 pm
Old (E)	(S-1)	1.30 pm, 4.00 pm
Don't Breath 2 (E)	(S-2)	10.50 am, 4.00 pm
	(S-3)	6.45 pm
Kodiyil Oruvan (Ta)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Thalaivi (H)	(S-2)	6.05 pm
Chaddi Dost Kaddi Alladusbutta (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
Jigri Dosth (K)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Gally Rowdy (Te)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Free Guy (E)	(S-4)	11.10 am, 1.40 pm
		4.05 pm, 6.25 pm

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		3.30 pm, 6.10 pm
Don't Breathe 2 (E)	(S-3)	3.40 pm
	(S-4)	10.10 am, 6.40 pm
Old (E)	(S-2)	12.55 pm, 6.35 pm
	(S-3)	10.00 am
Gally Rowdy (Te)	(S-3)	6.05 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of Ten Rings (E)	(S-2)	9.55 am, 3.35 pm
Kodiyil Oruvan (Ta)	(S-4)	3.25 pm
Jigri Dosth (K)	(S-4)	12.35 pm
Chaddi Dost Kaddi Alladusbutta (K)	(S-3)	12.25 pm

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Fast and Furious 9 (E)	:	11.40 am
Free Guy (E)	:	12.15 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.05 pm
Old (E)	:	12.35 pm, 6.15 pm
Chaddi Dost Kaddi Alladusbutta (K)	:	2.50 pm
The Croods: A New Age (E)	:	2.55 pm
Malignant (E)	:	3.25 pm
Gully Rowdy (Te)	:	5.30 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of 10 Rings (E)	:	6.00 pm

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Chaddi Dost Kaddi Alladsbutta (K)	:	2.30 pm
Fast & Furious 9: Fast Saga (E)	:	5.40 pm
Dont Breathe 2 (E)	:	9.45 am, 4 pm, 6.40 pm
Kodiyil Oruvan (Ta)	:	12.25 pm, 5.25 pm
Free Guy (E)	:	11.35 am, 2.30 pm, 5.50 pm
Old (E)	:	3.00 pm

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Chaddi Dost Kaddi Alladusbutta (K)	(S-1)	3.15 pm
	(S-2)	11.00 am
Sahodarara Savaal (K)	(S-1)	5.50 pm
	(S-2)	1.45 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am
Seetimaarr (Te)	(S-2)	6.00 pm
Free Guy (E)	(S-3)	11.30 am, 4.00 pm
Don't Breathe 2 (E)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 6.30 pm
Kodiyil Oruvan (Ta)	(S-4)	2.30 pm, 5.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

IPL 2021

CSK take top spot with win over MI

Chennai Super Kings (CSK) players celebrate a wicket during the IPL match against Mumbai Indians (MI) at Dubai yesterday.

Dubai, Sept. 20- Chennai Super Kings (CSK) beat Mumbai Indians (MI) by 20 runs in the first game of the UAE-leg of the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2021 yesterday.

CSK set up the target of 157 runs in front of MI after their young opener Ruturaj Gaikwad added 88 runs to his name in the first innings where all other batters failed to display their games.

In reply, Kieron Pollard-led MI got a decent start as CSK pacers dominated the game. Saurabh Tiwary was the highest scorer from MI with his fifty runs as no other batsman has managed to score more than 20 runs in a 157-run chase for MI.

Dwayne Bravo (3/25) was the leading wicket-taker for CSK followed by Deepak Chahar (2/19). With this win, MS Dhoni-led side have topped points table with 12 points in 8 matches. While Defending Champions MI still sit at the fourth spot with eight points.

BRIEF SCORES

CSK: 156/6 (Ruturaj Gaikwad 88*, Ravindra Jadeja 26; Adam Milne 2/21) beat **MI:** 136/8 (Saurabh Tiwary 50*, Quinton de Kock 17; Dwayne Bravo 3/25) by 20 runs; **Man of the Match:** Ruturaj Gaikwad of CSK.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 20)

- **Modi Yug Utsav:** Modi @ 71 - Azad Bharat @ 75 - Swarna KR, cultural programme, folk songs/ dance, **5.30 pm;** 'Laya Tandava' by Raghunath and team, Park in front of MLA S.A. Ramdas' home-office, Vidyaranyapuram, **6 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru and Babukodi B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana:** Bharatiya Rangasangeetha - Natakotsava, Ranga Bheeshma B.V. Karanth Ranga Namana, 'Lavani K Rang' programme by Shakuntalabai Nagarkar, Kali Billi Production, Pune, Maharashtra, B.V. Karanth Ranaga Chavadi, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 21)

- **Department of Computer Applications, JSS Science & Technology University (JSS STU):** AICTE-ATAL online Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 'An insight into Biometrics for Digital Forensics,' Dr. D.S. Guru, Professor & Chairman, University of Mysore, Mysuru, talks on 'Signature Biometric: Verification,' **10 am to 11.30 am;** Dr. K.M. Anil Kumar, Associate Professor and Associate Dean (RAA), JSS STU, Mysuru, talks on 'Biometrics in Cyberspace,' Col. Prof. Dr. Jyotirmaya Satpathy, Neuro Management Researcher, Bhubaneswar, talks on 'Personality Development Perspectives,' [Online Link: ***https://meet.google.com/csk-ycez-bwc***], **2.30 pm to 4 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Bombe Mane, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **Indian Art and Craft House and Festiworld:** Exhibition-cum-Sale of handlooms and handicrafts from across India, Open Ground near Apollo Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Hosa Balaku Mahila Swasahaya Sangha:** Shilpam Art and Craft - Silk and Cotton, Handicrafts and Handloom Expo, Open Ground beside Shiva Shakti Kalyana Mantapa, near Highway Circle, New Sayyaji Rao Road, Bamboo Bazar, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Kodava Samaja:** Haradasa Appaneravanda Appacha Kavi's 153rd anniversary celebration as 'Kodava Sahitya Day,' Samaja premises, Vijayanagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** International Living Style Exhibition, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **Modi Yug Utsav:** Modi @ 71 - Azad Bharat @ 75 - Swarna KR, cultural programme, folk songs/ dance, **5.30 pm;** Vocal recital by Vid. Prabhurao, Park in front of MLA S.A. Ramdas' home-office, Vidyaranyapuram, **6 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru and Babukodi B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana:** Bharatiya Rangasangeetha - Natakotsava, Ranga Bheeshma B.V. Karanth Ranga Namana, 'Raaga - Saraaga,' B.V. Karanth's desi instruments music by junior artistes of Rangayana [Management: M.S. Geetha and Digijay], B.V. Karanth Ranaga Chavadi, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

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TODAY'S MATCH (SEPT. 20)

KKR Vs RCB — 7.30 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCH (SEPT. 21)

PBKS Vs RR — 7.30 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

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